

Brigade Command Policy # 02-02

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MEMORANDUM FOR 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division (Mech)

SUBJECT: Security of Night Vision Devices (NVDs)

1. PURPOSE: To establish 1 BCT policy concerning the security of Night Vision Devices.
2. The following procedures for securing and accounting will be used:
 - a. Storage in Garrison. NVDs will be secured in unit arms rooms. NVDs will be stored separately from their carrying cases. All maintenance units will use the same procedures to store NVDs for repair as required for storage in unit arms room.
 - b. Inventories. NVDs will be inventoried monthly by serial number. A permanent record will be made of this inventory.
 - c. Hand receipts. Soldiers receiving an NVD will turn in an Equipment Receipt Card or complete a hand receipt, by serial number, at the time of issue. Only one set of personal NVDs will be issued to an individual. No individual will sign for or receive multiple sets. Battalion Commanders may authorize a limited number of specific individuals (e.g. drivers) to sign for an additional set for their Vehicle Commanders.
 - d. Soldiers in possession of NVDs **ARE** personally responsible for their security. They will be carried on the person to whom the NVD was issued at all times or will be properly secured as follows: The soldier may secure their NVD in a locked container under visual observation of a designated person who shall remain awake or in a locked container that is secured by chain to a vehicle or structure.
 - e. Field Inventories. During field training, or any other time NVDs are out of the arms room, a noncommissioned officer or warrant / commissioned officer will conduct a 100 percent physical inventory at least twice daily and following each move. Inventory results will be sent in the form of a Blue 6 report (sensitive item report) with name and rank person conducting the inventory through the chain of command to Brigade level at 0500, 1700, and following each move as a part of the unit's closure report.
 - f. Transportation (Tactical). NVDs are not authorized in privately owned vehicles.
 - g. Transportation (Commercial). Any shipments by commercial carriers will be in accordance with AR 55-355, Chapter 34, and will be coordinated with the DOL, Transportation Services, Material Movements Branch and LEC.
3. Discovery of Loss. In the event an NVD is lost, units will take immediate action IAW DA Pam 710-2-1, para 9-10.
 - a. Stop training, cordon off area, and restrict entry / exit.
 - b. Conduct search.
 - c. Develop list of personnel involved.

- d. Separate and isolate individuals for questioning.
 - e. Notify Chain of Command up to Brigade. After a search fails to recover the equipment but not later than two hours after the equipment is discovered missing, Brigade will then notify Post EOC, PMO, and CID.
 - f. Record relevant facts and actions taken.
 - g. Brief all unit personnel and establish an amnesty box.
 - h. Conduct 100 percent serial number inventory.
 - i. An AR 15-6 investigation will be conducted by the unit any time the NVD is not recovered or theft is suspected in the loss, whether temporary, or permanent loss has occurred. The AR 15-6 investigating officer will coordinate closely with a legal advisor to ensure that the questioning of potential subjects and examination of evidence does not hinder the criminal investigation.
4. "Devil Brigade!"

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